



ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE
Academic Policies and Procedures
Program Narrative

Proposed Program Title: Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer

Type of Program: AA-T Degree (transfer)

Proposed Start Date: 08/01/2018

Goal of Program: Transfer

Criteria A. Appropriateness to Mission

1. Statement of Program Goals and Objectives:

The goal of the Associates in Arts in Sociology for Transfer (AA-T in Sociology) is to provide students with the foundational knowledge of the study of Sociology, to enhance their understanding of Sociology as the scientific study of human society, to evaluate and understand the major paradigms in Sociology, to sharpen their critical thinking skills, and to prepare them for transfer in advanced standing to a CSU as a sociology major. This degree can also help prepare students for success in related fields such as Psychology, Law, Philosophy, and any number of subfields within the discipline of Sociology.

Program Learning Outcomes:

1. Define sociology, social structure, social stratification, race, ethnicity, gender, globalization, socialization, ethnocentrism, relativism, racism, sexism, and ageism.
2. Discuss and identify the social maintenance functions and dysfunctions of social inequality, global stratification, boundary maintenance systems, and the social construction of identity and group solidarity.
3. Compare and contrast the major theoretical perspectives of sociology, and identify the unique features of sociological analysis.
4. Interpret sociological research of both qualitative and quantitative empirical studies and demonstrate familiarity with the variety of sociological research methods and designs.

2. Program (Catalog) Description:

The Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer (AA-T in Sociology) ensures that students have a pathway to transfer into the California State University (CSU) system to complete a baccalaureate degree in the Sociology major. AA-T in Sociology offers students a fundamental understanding of the field of Sociology and its various sub-fields, including social research methods, demographics, criminology, ethnic relations, family relations, the study of social problems, and the impact of drug policy on society. Additionally, students will gain knowledge through the application of the sociological perspective to their personal lives and contemporary social issues.

The Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer (AA-T in Sociology) degree meets the requirements of SB 1440 for Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT). These degrees are intended to make it easier for students to transfer to California State University campuses.

To earn an Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer (AA-T in Sociology) degree a student must complete the following:

- (1) Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:

(A) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education – Breadth Requirements.

(B) A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.

(2) Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

ADTs also require that students must earn a C or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

3. **Program Requirements:**

Required Courses

SOC 101, Introduction to Sociology (3)

Any 2 courses (6-7 units) from the following:

MATH 115, Statistics (4)

SOC 112, American Social Issues: Problems and Challenges (3)

SOC 200, Research Methods for the Social Sciences (3)

Required Electives Group A

Any 2 courses (6 units) from the following or not used above:

AJ 206, Criminology (3)

PSY 230, Social Psychology (3)

SOC 110, Ethnic Relations (3)

SOC 115, Marriage and Family Life (3)

Required Electives Group B

Any course (3 units) from the following or not used above:

SOC 105, The Mexican American in Contemporary Society (3)

SOC 111, Issues and Concepts in Aging (3)

SOC 116, Sociology of Gender and Sexuality (3)

SOC 120, Drugs, Society and Human Behavior (3)